

### Alito Seen as Threat to Women's Rights if Confirmed as Supreme Court Justice

Washington, D.C. □ Today on the steps of the Supreme Court, Congresswoman Linda Sánchez (CA-39) joined other leading women Members of Congress to express deep concern over the extreme views of Supreme Court Justice nominee, Judge Samuel Alito, on issues facing women in America. Rep. Sánchez was joined by Members Louise M. Slaughter of New York and fellow Californians Barbara Lee, Hilda Solis, and Lynn Woolsey.

"If Judge Alito is confirmed, he will create a seismic shift on the court □ affecting women's daily lives for generations to come," said Congresswoman Sánchez. "I hope that both Republicans and Democrats in the Senate realize the negative impact Judge Alito could have on the future of privacy rights, civil rights, and minority rights."

Judge Alito's record shows a clear hostility towards many important issues facing women today, such as sexual and workplace discrimination, access to family and medical leave, civil liberties, and reproductive rights. Alito's confirmation would also reduce the diversity on the court. His appointment would leave only one woman and one minority on the Supreme Court in a country that prides itself on the great diversity of its citizens.

"It is a slap in the face to women across America, to replace Sandra Day O'Connor with a man who's insensitive to women when it comes to their health, equality on the job and their dignity," continued Sánchez. "Lets face it, America can do better!"